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Mr. Jon Rollin, Public Works Manager Inactive Waste Site Management Department of Public Works County of San Diego 5555 Overland Avenue MS0383 San Diego, California 92123-1295

Dear Mr. Rollin:

NOTICE OF VIOLATION # 99 - 28 FOR COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO, SAN MARCOS LANDFILL

On April 8, 1999, Regional Board staff inspected the San Marcos Landfill as a follow-up to Cease and Desist Order No. 98-39. As you know, Cease and Desist Order No. 98-39 was issued due to violations of waste discharge requirements for erosion of cover materials on the top deck and the exposure of waste on the top deck of the San Marcos Landfill.

During our inspection, it was noted that the improvements to the sideslopes, top deck and drainage channel on the eastern sideslope had been made. The sideslopes appeared to be well graded, the top deck had been vegetated and the downchute had been lined with concrete. However, erosion channels are still present primarily on the western half of the top deck and between the landfill gas lines on the eastern half of the top deck. The top deck needs to be regraded to repair the erosion channels and to correct the drainage of the top deck to ensure that runoff is directed to the downchute. This is in violation of Discharge Specification B.6 of Order No. 92-02 and Directive 3.a. of Cease and Desist Order No. 98-39 which requires that annual erosion control measures be implemented to prevent erosion of the landfill.

Surface drainage from the landfill is subject to State Board Order No. 97-03-DWQ, National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) General Permit No. CAS000001, "Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges of Storm Water Associated with Industrial Activities Excluding Construction Activities". Failure to adequately implement Best Management Practices (BMPs) to prevent erosion and the discharge of sediment to the stormwater conveyance system is a violation of Order No. 97-03-DWQ. BMPs are required to be contained in a Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP).

California Environmental Protection Agency

Late/Non-Submittal of Monitoring Reports

Cease and Desist Order (CDO) No. 98-39 requires quarterly progress reports. To date, we have not received the quarterly status report as required under Directive 3. of Cease and Desist Order No. 98-39. Nonsubmittal of the quarterly status report is a violation of Cease and Desist Order No. 98-39. Pursuant to California Water Code Section 13267, the County of San Diego shall submit a report which describes the steps taken or planned to be taken to achieve compliance with Cease and Desist Order No. 98-39 and Order No. 92-02. The report shall be submitted to this office by May 20, 1999.

Failure to comply with the provisions of this order may subject the discharger to further enforcement action, including but not limited to, assessment of civil liability under Section 13268, 13350, and 13385 of the Water Code and referral of this matter to the district attorney or attorney general for injunctive relief and civil or criminal liability.

If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Carol Tamaki at (619) 467 - 2982.

Sincerely,

JOHN H. ROBERTUS

Executive Officer

Attachment

cc: Bill Lindquist, Inactive Waste Site Management, County of San Diego

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